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P R 152009Z FEB 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI PRIORITY  
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LONDON FOR RRU O'CONNOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OEXC: (NIE, NORMAN H)

SUBJECT: FY 78 POTENTIAL AMSPEC

REF: (A) NEW DELHI 1864; (B) 77 TEL AVIV 11034

1. CU/NEA PROPOSES AWARDED AMSPEC GRANT TO NORMAN H NIE  
VISIT INDIA AND ISRAEL DURING PERIOD MARCH 12 - APRIL 2.  
NIE, PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AT UNIV OF CHICAGO AND  
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REPUTED SCHOLAR ON CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL  
PROCESS, RECRUITED SPECIFICALLY SUPPORT POST PROJECT IS-09  
AND IN-15.

2. C.V. SENT TO POSTS JAN 19.

3. RATHER THAN OFFER SPECIFIC TOPICS, NIE PREFERS DEVELOP

HIS PRESENTATIONS IN DIALOGUE WITH POSTS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT POSTS' MISSION OBJECTIVES, AUDIENCE INTERESTS AND CONCERNS AND POTENTIAL FOR OPTIMUM EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. HE OFFERS FOLLOWING AREAS OF EXPERTISE AS FRAME OF REFERENCE. THEY CAN BE REGARDED SEPARATELY OR COMBINED ACCORDING TO POSTS' NEEDS.

A. INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL AND GOVERNING PROCESS AS IT IS SHAPED AND CHanneled BY VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS AND POLITICAL PARTIES.

B. CITIZEN INITIATED CONTACTS AS A METHOD OF CONTROLLING OR AFFECTING GOVERNMENT DECISIONS. (AT ANY GIVEN MOMENT, ROUGHLY ONE THIRD OF AMERICAN CITIZENRY IS INITIATING CONTACTS WITH GOVERNMENT LEADERS IN ATTEMPTS TO INFLUENCE VOTING DECISIONS.

C. THE RISE OF ISSUE VOTING IN THE U.S. AND THE REPLACEMENT OF ISSUES OVER HABITUAL PARTISAN IDENTITY AS A GUIDE TO ELECTORAL BEHAVIOR.

D. THE DECLINE OF THE INFLUENCE OF THE POLITICAL PARTY STRUCTURE ON THE ELECTORAL PROCESS.

E. THE RISE OF BLACKS AS A MOBILIZED PARTICIPANT GROUP -- 1950'S TO 1970'S.

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4. FOR NEW DELHI: DEPT REGARDING REFTel A AS INDICATION OF INTEREST. POST MAY HAVE TO ADAPT PROPOSED SCHEDULE ACCOMMODATE TEL AVIV.

5. FOR TEL AVIV: REQUEST RESPONSE NLT FEB 21 ENABLE DEPT INITIATE GRANT PROPOSAL. PLEASE INDICATE REQUIRED NUMBER OF DAYS AND PREFERRED TIMEFRAME. VANCE

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